

**ATTENTIVENESS MONITORING IN MULTICAST SYSTEMS****ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

5           A method of sending packets to a multiplicity of  
subscribers in a multicast subscription system includes  
monitoring the activity at a NACK server. The method also  
includes disturbing the flow of data between the sender and  
the subscribers. The latter may include creating a NACK  
10 generation incident in order to determine if the sender has  
any attentive subscribers.